Work Description Techalloy Inc., Central Wire, Union, IL November 18, 2014

I. Site Background

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II. Scope of Work

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USGS will assist EPA and Techalloy in planning of additional investigative tasks as needed to delineate the plume, characterize the plume, study contaminant fate and transport, determine the effect of SOD farm wells on the two extraction wells from Techalloy, interpret the surface water and groundwater interaction and analyze the overall aquifer hydraulics and its influence on the plume.

- Task 2. USGS will provide technical assistance to Techalloy in characterizing the groundwater contaminant plume and review current site conceptual model. USGS will participate in two meetings with USEPA and Techalloy. Techalloy is in the process of collecting more data to better define the conceptual site model. USGS will review the document, monthly reports, and Document review.
- Task 3. Provide oversight of Techalloy's contractor during Field Oversight of Data Collection
- Task 4. After GeoProbe data has been collected, USGS will determine effects of SOD farm pumping production extraction wells. USGS will submit a report on the findings.

III. Project Contacts:

EPA: John Nordine nordine.john@epa.gov, Region 5, Chicago, IL

USGS: Robert T. Kay, Chicago, IL rtkay@usgs.gov

IV. Budget

Personnel	\$4,621
Fringe Benefits	\$ 832
Direct Costs	\$5,453
Indirect Costs	\$4,125
(Composite rate 1.75647)	
Total	\$9.578

V. Cost Summary

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VI. Deliverables, Meetings and Progress Reporting

- 1) Initial meeting and site visit with EPA, discussion on GeoProbe location for plume migration and provide oversight of Techalloy's contractor sampling efforts.
- 2) Written report to EPA. The report describing results of the GeoProbe and groundwater sampling leading edge of the plume and the groundwater analyses results should address; 1) whether VOC contamination has spread down gradient of its last reported position and; 2) whether plume is migrating due to the pumping influences of the sod farm production extraction wells. Due 45 days from USGS receipt of Techalloy's sample results.
- 3) Participation in any meeting(s) or conference calls with interested parties to discuss USGS findings, as deemed necessary.
- VII. Reporting and billing It is very important to include the site name and identification number along with the IA number in all billing and reporting.



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November 7, 2014

Mr. John Nordine U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region V, LU-9J 77 W. Jackson Blvd. Chicago, IL 60604

Dear John:

Attached please find a cost estimate for Bob Kay to provide you with technical assistance at the Techalloy facility in Union, Illinois for a period of one year (October 2014-2015), to be renewed as the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency requires. Based on past experience we anticipate the work activities will involve review of monthly progress reports, review of various work plans to cover collection of field data, oversight of collection of field data, and review of various reports analyzing field data. These work activities would be funded from monies available in interagency agreement (IAG) DW-14-95813001-0. If this is acceptable to you, please initiate the paperwork you need on your end.

Feel free to call Robert Kay at 815-756-9207 or Kelly Welborn at 217-328-9740 if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

Douglas J. Yeskis

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Director, USGS Illinois Water Science Center

cc. Welborn Kay

Work Activities

Review of 12 monthly reports		12 hours of salary
Review of Work Plans for Collection	on of Field Data	5 hours of salary
Field Oversight of Data Collection		32 hours of Salary
Review of Reports on Analysis of I	Data Collection	20 hours of Salary
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From:

Kay, Robert <rtkay@usgs.gov>

Sent:

Tuesday, November 04, 2014 7:57 PM

To:

Robinson, Martha

Cc:

Teresa Halfar; Jon Hortness; Nordine, John

Subject:

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Technical Contact Review Worksheet for Progress Reports

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4. Date Report Received:	01/21/2014	5. Worksheet Due Date:	01/27/2014		
6. Technical Contact:	John Nordine	7. Project Officer:	Martha Robin	son	
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Additional Comments

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- DW1495813001-2 FY14 4th qtr.pdf Last modified by Martha Robinson at 01/21/2014 01:59 PM

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To:

Nordine, John

Subject:

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submittal to U.S.EPA

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Let me stress that we're not asking CW or Autumnwood for anything out of the ordinary here and we're not asking for a document just for the fun of it. It is important to have a comprehensive, periodic assessment of the plume so that we can all evaluate what, if anything, needs to be done to protect human health and the environment at this site. Presenting this analysis in a single, complete, fully documented report is necessary to that we, as well as the public and future personnel involved at this site from EPA, CW, consulting firms, local government, etc. can find the information they need without having to reconstruct dozens of e-mails and hundreds of files.

Basically, it's time for CW and Autumnwood to get their act together and meet their commitments.

Response to Comment 2. I'm OK with the response.

Comment 4 (response to comment 3 appears to be missing). Again, this needs to be in an actual report. See previous e-mail comments on specific changes to the the potentiometric surface figure.

Comment 5. This is the kind of analysis we've been asking for. It needs to go in the report.

Comment 6. Again, i have not been provided an attachment 1, at least in this submission. The VOC data discussed in this response was provided in an earlier submission. Again, I'm fine with the response, but this analysis needs to be in a report.

Comment 7. I'm OK with the response.

Comments 8 and 9. I'm OK with the response.

Comment 10. Again, I don't have this attachment. I think I've seen the plot in a previous e-mail. It needs to be in the report.

Discussion of the effects of increased specific gravity of water, or VOCs dissolved in water, at this point in the plume (and probably any point in the plume) is misplaced, or at least unsupported. There is no reason to assume density effects for the water, or the presence of a VOC DNAPL. The concentrations are just too low for a DNAPL to be probable. The location (depth) of the plume, particularly at the GP locations, is the result movement with groundwater--if it's fairly deep that's because the groundwater is moving downward. Autumnwood needs to revise, or at least support, their interpretation of VOC distribution in these wells.

Other figures in Attachment 1. Again, What was provided in this attachment is not a fence diagram.

Response to Comments on the Oct 2012 Monthly Progress Report

All of the responses are adequate, so I will not respond to them individually, Again, most of this stuff needs to go into the comprehensive report.

For comment 6, again, it's almost certain that plume location is due to groundwater flow, not specific gravity/DNAPL. The interpretation should be revised accordingly.

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John--comments in the order of the attachments. please hold off on sending these to CW as i will be going over the other submission and i may change my comments. in addition, i'll probably send one e-mail that contains my complete review of all the current submissions, which will involve duplication of these comments as well as (probably) some summary statements about the format of the submissions from CW.

i'm just sending this "mini submission" to you because i think it'll be easier to keep track of everything (for me at least) if the reviewed documents and the review comments in the same e-mail, at least to fall back on if things get confused.

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- 2. MW4, MW5, MW5D, MW6, MW7, MW8 MW9, MW-HBR, DGW-1D, DGW-1I VOC data. I'm having some difficulties with the contents of these files. most of them seem OK, but for some, like MW08, the plots are different, and the information presented is different (figure captions missing or present, concentration scale correct or incorrect) depending on how the file is opened. i'm going to assume they're OK in the original and the difficulty is with Google.
- 3. DGW-2I water levels. looks OK to me.
- 4. Potentiometric map
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- b. Omit wells with no data, like the municipal wells. It implies an incorrect level of coverage. Or at least put a little (nd) by them and define nd as "no data" in the Legend.
- c. Common practice for the explanation of the contours in the Legend is something like "---823----Potentiometric surface of sand and gravel, in feet above North American Vertical Datum of 1988. Dashed where inferred" Autumnwood should alter the legend accordingly.
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- 6. Response to comments--i'll send separately.

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Sent: Thursday, May 23, 2013 1:01 PM

To: Nordine, John **Cc:** Gerald Ruopp

Subject: Electronic Files of Central Wire May 10 RCERA Corrective Action Implementation submittal to U.S.EPA

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Let me stress that we're not asking CW or Autumnwood for anything out of the ordinary here and we're not asking for a document just for the fun of it. It is important to have a comprehensive, periodic assessment of the plume so that we can all evaluate what, if anything, needs to be done to protect human health and the environment at this site. Presenting this analysis in a single, complete, fully documented report is necessary to that we, as well as the public and future personnel involved at this site from EPA, CW, consulting firms, local government, etc. can find the information they need without having to reconstruct dozens of e-mails and hundreds of files.

Basically, it's time for CW and Autumnwood to get their act together and meet their commitments.

Response to Comment 2. I'm OK with the response.

Comment 4 (response to comment 3 appears to be missing). Again, this needs to be in an actual report. See previous e-mail comments on specific changes tot he the potentiometric surface figure.

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Comment 6. Again, i have not been provided an attachment 1, at least in this submission. The VOC data discussed in this response was provided in an earlier submission. Again, I'm fine with the response, but this analysis needs to be in a report.

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Comments 8 and 9. I'm OK with the response.

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Discussion of the effects of increased specific gravity of water, or VOCs dissolved in water, at this point in the plume (and probably any point in the plume) is misplaced, or at least unsupported. There is no reason to assume density effects for the water, or the presence of a VOC DNAPL. The concentrations are just too low for a DNAPL to be probable. The location (depth) of the plume, particularly at the GP locations, is the result movement with groundwater--if it's fairly deep that's because the groundwater is moving downward. Autumnwood needs to revise, or at least support, their interpretation of VOC distribution in these wells.

Other figures in Attachment 1. Again, What was provided in this attachment is not a fence diagram.

Response to Comments on the Oct 2012 Monthly Progress Report

All of the responses are adequate, so I will not respond to them individually, Again, most of this stuff needs to go into the comprehensive report.

For comment 6, again, it's almost certain that plume location is due to groundwater flow, not specific gravity/DNAPL. The interpretation should be revised accordingly.

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Sent: Thursday, May 23, 2013 1:01 PM

To: Nordine, John Cc: Gerald Ruopp

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Techalloy SLug tests Robert T Kay to: jack.thorsen

Cc: John Nordine

Jack--slug tests look good but i have a couple questions about the analysis.

- 1. the data was plotted for a second or two before the test began, which screws up the Yo (which isn't a big deal) and seemingly the frequency measurement on at least one of the tests (#2).
- 2. i'm not sure i see where you're getting the oscillation frequency values from. the points apparently selected for the frequency computation don't seem to match up with the data plots. my read of the raw data is that a full cycle takes about 8-10 seconds. from what i can tell from the frequency value in the spread sheets, your oscillation is calculated to be substantially higher. these numbers seem to be based on matching the cycle values to the simulated data, they should be matched to the measured data.
- 3. this is for academic interest, but T values are affected by S values. can you provide some sensitivity analysis--say set S = 0.1 and 0.001 and see what the results are?
- 4. this is a bit unclear how to handle this issue, but the screen length and the aquifer thickness are not identical here. Kh should probably be calculated based on the actual aquifer thickness.
- 5. I agree the second test seems to provide the most consistent data.

Robert T. Kay Hydrologist U.S. Geological Survey 650B Peace Road DeKalb, Illinois 60115 815-756-9207



Re: Slug Test Data
Bob Kay to: Jack Thorsen
Cc: "Steve Grant", Robert T Kay

Bcc: John Nordine

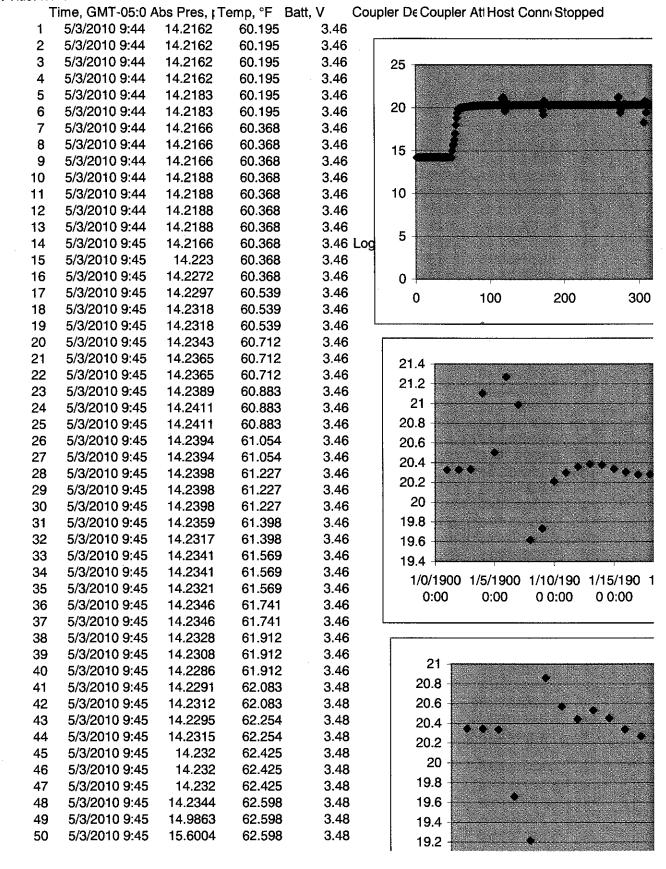
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Jack and Steve--this is an oscillatory response. I'm not sure what kind of slug-test analysis package you have but it should have an oscillatory response solution--I usually use van der Kamp, but there are others. the attachment below is a re-work of the data and has some graphs of water levels at what I think are the times when the slug was inserted/removed. from this data you can calculate aquifer properties. however, there are a couple problems with the data.

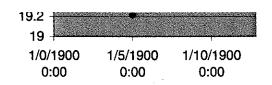
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- 2. measurements need to be in feet of water for both the slug test AND the long-term monitoring.
- 3. would prefer readings on a shorter (1/2 sec or 1.4 sec) time frequency for more precise data for analysis.
- 4. a quick look at the data indicates so-so agreement between text, mainly in the magnitude of the water level changes
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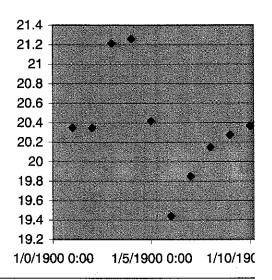


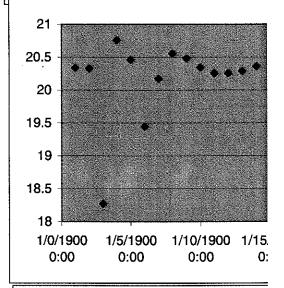
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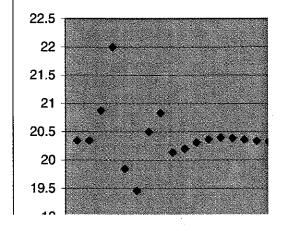


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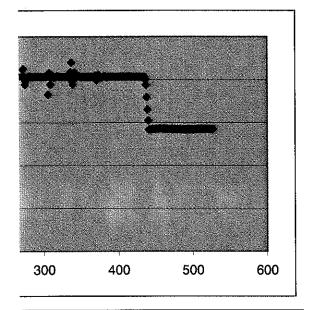
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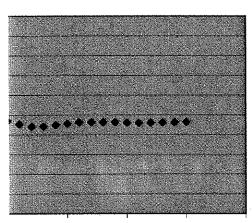
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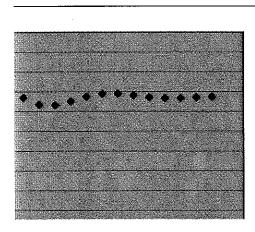
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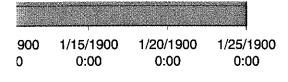
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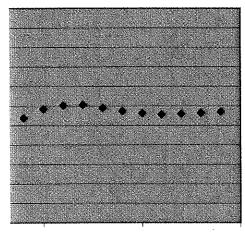




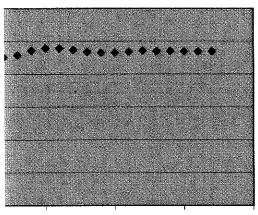
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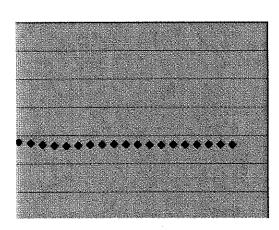




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December 11, 2013

Mr. John Nordine U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region V, LU-9J 77 W. Jackson Blvd. Chicago, IL 60604

Dear John:

Attached please find a cost estimate for Bob Kay to provide you with additional technical assistance at the Techalloy/Central Wire facility in Union, Illinois. Based on your discussions with Bob Kay of our DeKalb office, we anticipate the work activities will involve oversight of two sampling events, review of monthly progress reports, two site meetings with Techalloy representatives, and review of miscellaneous additional site investigative reports and work plans. These work activities would be funded from monies available in interagency agreement (IAG) DW-14-95813001-3 and are expected to occur during the 2014 calendar year. If this cost estimate is acceptable to you, please initiate the paperwork you will need to allow us to commence work.

Feel free to call Robert Kay at 815-756-9207 or Kelly Welborn at 217-328-9740 if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

Douglas J. Yeskis Director, USGS Illinois Water Science Center

cc. Welborn Kay

Work Activities

Review of consultant documents 40 hours of salary Meeting to discuss site conditions 10 hours of salary Oversight of Field sampling activities 40 hours of salary

Cost Summary 90 hours salary	
Personnel	\$6,785
Fringe Benefits	\$ 814
Direct Costs	\$7,599
Indirect Costs (composite rate 1.5629)	\$4,326
Total	\$11,925